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Al Capone

Al Capone plotted The Saint Valentine’s Day massacre that killed seven men. I was watching History Channel last year about Al Capone. I wanted to know how Al Capone became the most famous gangster. I was curious about his nickname “Scarface.” I wanted to know why Saint Valentine’s Day Massacre happened. I want to do research to find answers to these questions.

Al Capone planned this massacre by using his men to wear disguises as policemen, and they shot and killed seven men using machine guns and shotguns at Bugs Moran’s headquarters where the North Side gang resided. Al Capone owned smuggling, bootlegging of liquor, and other illegal activities. Therefore, he became the most powerful crime boss of the time, and he “owned” Chicago (Sifauis, 1987).

Al Capone got slashed in his face three times over a girl and got his nickname “Scarface.” His attacker was Frank Galluccio. Al Capone later hired him as his bodyguard in his life. He quit his job at the hotel and became boss of crime. This is one of his things to do. He lied to the press that he served in the army that he received these scars during the Great War, but he wasn’t in the service (Al Capone, 1999).

Al Capone and the Outfits’ effort to strike back at Bug Moran’s North Side gang and Al Capone succeeded. He got away with this massive murder, because he wasn’t there. He was in Florida when it happened in Chicago. His men did dirty work for their boss, Al Capone. So Bug Moran failed to get his revenge. He tried to kill Al Capone, but Al was smarter than him. He lived with his family in his Florida home until he died from heart failure in 1947 (Al Capone, 2009).

I learned about Al Capone, because it is cool to hear the most famous gangster once roamed the United States. I also learned that he is boss of crime in 20’s and 30’s. Do you know that Mrs. Crossman’s father in law was once met Al Capone and he gave five cents to him, because he was nice enough to kids! He’s lucky fellow!